

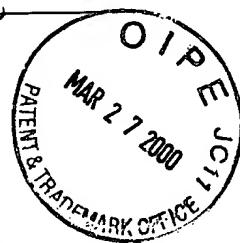
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Examiner:	To be assigned	Group Art Unit No.:	1635
Applicant(s):	van Dongen et al.	Filing date:	November 12, 1999
Serial No.:	09/439,040	For (title):	MOLECULAR DETECTION OF CHROMOSOME ABERRATIONS

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), an extension of time is requested as marked below:

ACTION FOR WHICH EXTENSION IS REQUESTED

- Response to non-final office action mailed
(timely and complete response not previously filed).
- Response to final office action mailed
(application not placed in a condition for allowance by a previous timely filed response).
- Filing of Appellant's brief, notice of appeal dated .
- Filing of a continuing application having an express abandonment of this application conditioned on the granting of a filing date to the continuing application.
- Notice to File Missing Parts.

EXTENSION REQUEST PERIOD AND FEE CALCULATION

- The period for taking the above-identified action without extension fees expired on 02/22/00.
- The period for taking the above-identified action has previously been extended (by the payment of the appropriate extension fee) to

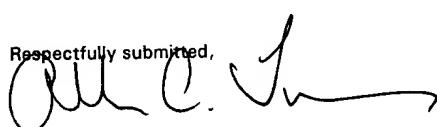
The requested extension period (and associated fee) is:

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§ 1.17(a) | <input type="checkbox"/> \$ 55.00 - small entity*
\$ 110.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Two months
§ 1.17(b) | <input type="checkbox"/> \$ 190.00 - small entity*
\$ 380.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Three months
§ 1.17(c) | <input type="checkbox"/> \$ 435.00 - small entity*
\$ 870.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Four months
§ 1.17(d) | <input type="checkbox"/> \$ 680.00 - small entity*
\$ 1,360.00 |

Comments:

- *Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.9 and § 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.
- *A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.9 and § 1.27 is enclosed.
- Any additional patent application processing fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 which may be due should be charged to deposit account no. 20-1469. A duplicate copy of this petition is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,


 Allen C. Turner
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